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Nov. 4—y

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the various grades of flour. He will endeavor to
make it the interest of dealers in the article to give
him a call, as he is determined to sell at small pro-
fits.
LEWIS BROOKS,
feb 7—td Water street, Georgetown.

POETRY.

Are few, but deep and solemn, and they break
Fresh from the fount of feeling.—Percival.

For the Columbian Fountain.
**LINES ON THE DEATH OF MAJOR
RINGGOLD.**

BY CHARLES WILSON, U. S. A.
Why should we weep for those,
Who on the field of strife,
Amid the tramp of retreating foes,
Yield up the breath of life.

Why mourn the gallant brave,
Who sink to rest on glory's bed?
Will tears add lustre to their fame;
Or wake them from the dead?

No—then away with the tear and sigh
At the deeds which we cannot control,
For 'tis joy to the brave, to die,
As died our brave Ringgold.

Oh! freemen did ye but know
The holy pride the soldier feels,
When shouting "on, on to the foe,
He falls, amidst victory's peals,

Ye would not weep, but raise
Your peans loud and high,
At thoughts of sons so brave,
Who dare so nobly die.

WASHINGTON, June 3, 1846.

CHOICE READING.

"If you enlighten the people, do not forget that this
is but half the work. Let them be made virtuous and
religious, or you leave them more exposed to danger
than they were before."

JIM BRADDOCK'S PLEDGE.

BY T. S. ARTHUR.

"You'll sign it, I am sure," said a per-
severing Washingtonian, who had found his
way into a little village grog-shop, and had
there presented the pledge to some three or
four of its half-intoxicated inmates. The
last man whom he addressed, after having
urged the others to no effect, was appar-
ently about thirty years of age, and had a
sparkling eye, and a good-humored coun-
tenance, that attracted rather than repelled.
The marks of the destroyer were however,
upon him, showing themselves with mel-
ancholy distinctness.

"You'll sign, I am sure Jim."
"O, of course," replied the individual
addressed, winking, as he did so to the
company, as much as to say—"Don't you
want to see fun?"

"Yes, but you will, I know?"

"Of course I will. Where's the docu-
ment?"

"Here it is,"—displaying a sheet of pa-
per with sundry appropriate devices, upon
which was printed in conspicuous let-
ters,

"We whose names—," &c.

"That's very pretty, ain't it, Ike?" said
Jim, or James Braddock, with a mock se-
riousness of tone and manner.

"O, yes—very beautiful."

"Just see here," ran on Jim, pointing
to the vignette over the pledge.—"This
spruce chap, swelled out with cold-water
until just ready to bust, and still pouring in
more, is our friend Malcom here, I sup-
pose."

A loud laugh followed this little bit
which seemed to the company exceedingly
humorous. But Malcom took it all in good
part, and retorted by asking Braddock who
the wretched looking creature was with a
bottle in his hand, and three ragged chil-
dren, and a pale, haggard, distressed woman
following after him.

"Another cold-water man, I suppose,"
Jim Braddock replied; but neither his laugh
nor the laugh of his cronies was so hearty
as before.

"O, no. That's a little mistake into
which you have fallen," Malcom said smil-
ing. "He is one of your fire-water men.
Don't you see how he has been scorched
with it, inside and out. Now did you ever
see such a miserable looking creature?—
and his poor children—and his wife!—
But I will say nothing about them. The
picture speaks for itself."

"Here's a barrel, mount him up, and
let us have a temperance speech!" cried
the keeper of the grog-shop, coming from
behind his counter, and mingling with the
group.

"O, yes.—Give us a temperance
speech!" rejoined Jim Braddock, not at
all sorry to get a good excuse for giving up
his examination of the pledge, which had
revived in his mind some associations of
not the pleasantest character in the world.

"No objection at all," replied the ready
Washingtonian, mounting the rostrum
which the tavern-keeper had indicated, to
the no small amusement of the company,
and the great relief of Jim Braddock, who
began to feel that the laugh was getting on
the wrong side of his mouth, as he after-
wards expressed it.

"Now for some rare fun!" ejaculated
one of the group that gathered around the
whiskey-barrel upon which Malcom stood

"This is grand sport?" broke in ano-
ther.

"Take your text, Mr. Preacher!" cried
the third.

"O yes, give us the text and a regular-
built sermon!" added a fourth, rubbing his
hands with great glee.

"Very well," Malcom replied, with good
humour. Now for the text."

"Yes, give us the text," ran around the
circle.

"My text will be found in Harry Ar-
nold's grog-shop Main street, three doors
from the corner. It is in these words:—
'Whiskey-barrel.' Upon this text I will
now with your permission, make a few re-
marks."

Then holding up his pledge and laying
his finger upon the wretched being there re-
presented as the follower after strong drink
he went on—

"You all see this poor creature here,
and his wife and children—well, as my
text and his fall from happiness and respect-
ability are inseparably united, I will in-
stead of giving you a dry discourse on an
empty whiskey-barrel, narrate this man's
history, which involves the whiskey-barrel,
and describes how it became empty, and
finally how it came here. I will call him
James Braddock—but take notice, that I call
him a little out of his true name, so as not
to seem personal."

"Well, this James Braddock was a house
carpenter—I say was—for although still
living, he is no longer an industrious house
carpenter, but a very industrious grog-
drinker,—he has changed his occupation.
About five years ago, I went to his house
on some business. It was about dinner-
time, and the table was set, and the dinner
on it.

"Come, take some dinner with me,"
Mr. Braddock said, in such a kind earnest
way, that I could not resist, especially as
his wife looked so happy and smiling, and
the dinner so neatly served, plentiful and
inviting. So I sat down with Mr. and
Mrs. Braddock and two fat chubby-faced
children; and I do not think I ever enjoyed
so pleasant a meal in my life.

"After dinner was over, Mr. Braddock
took me all through his house, which was new.
He had just built it, and furnished it with
every convenience that a man in moderate
circumstances could desire. I was pleased
with everything I saw, and praised every
thing with a hearty good will. At last he
took me down into the cellar, and showed
me a barrel of flour that he had just
bought—twenty bushels of potatoes and
turnips laid in for the winter, five large fat
hogs, and I can't remember what all. Be-
side these, there was a barrel of something
lying upon the cellar floor.

"What is this?" I asked.

"O, that is a barrel of whiskey that I
have laid in also."

"A barrel of whiskey!" I said, in sur-
prise.

"Yes. I did some work for Harry Ar-
nold, and the best I could do was to take
this barrel of good old 'rye' in payment.
But it is just as well. It will be a saving
in the end."

"How so?" I asked.

"Why, because there are more than
twice as many drams in this barrel of whis-
key, as I could get for what I paid for it.
Of course, I save more than half."

(To be continued.)

AGE OF ANIMALS.

A bear rarely exceeds twenty years; a
dog lives twenty, a fox fourteen or sixteen;
lions are long lived—Pompey lived to the
age of seventy years; a squirrel or hare
seven or eight years; rabbits, seven. Ele-
phants have been known to live to the great
age of four hundred years. When Alex-
ander the Great had conquered Porus, the
King of India, he took a great